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A step back in time

No longer a base, Mare Island still offers attractions

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Just beyond the south Napa County line in a small church is the largest collection of Tiffany glass in the western United States.

"The collection is worth over a million dollars ... and nobody knows about it." Barbara Davis. volunteer docent at St. Peter's Chapel on Mare Island in Vallejo, where the collection is housed. "I look at it as an art gallery."

St. Peter's Chapel opened in 1901 and its first Tiffany window was installed in 1905, Davis said. Between 1905 and 1930, the chapel purchased 29 windows, 25 of which were selected from the Tiffany catalog. Sixteen are signed, she said.

Whether or not the Tiffany Studios of New York designer, Louis Comfort Tiffany, signed them or not depended on when they were ordered, Davis said. He went through some periods when he signed everything and others when he didn't, she said.

While giving a tour on Saturday, Davis pointed out the

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Want to visit Mare Island?

Mare Island is home to St. Peter's Chapel, the Mare Island Museum and the Mare Island Naval Cemetery.

Tours are available by reservation by calling 707-644-4746 or 707-280-5742.

The Mare Island Museum is 10 a.m.-2 p.m. open Monday through Friday and 10 a.m.-4 p.m. the first and third weekends of the month.

For more information, visit mareislandhpf.org or call 707-557-1538.



St. Peter's Chapel is home to the largest collection of Tiffany glass in the western United States. The chapel, located on Mare Island in Vallejo, contains 25 Tiffany windows, 16 of which are signed by the designer, Louis Comfort Tiffany.

LITIGATION

Model railroad gets more time

Court fight delays possible eviction

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A group of model railroad enthusiasts has gained itself a little more time in its battle with Napa Valley Expo over its longtime lease at the fairgrounds.

A court motion by the Expo to evict the Napa Valley Model Railroad Historical Society from its building at the First Street facility was dismissed from Napa County Superior Court late last month, and the fair then refiled its case. Fair board president John Dunbar confirmed the development at the agency's Tuesday meeting, as did Daniel Jonas, president of the model train group.

Dismissal of the Expo's "unlawful detainer" filing - by which fair directors sought to enforce the end of the train group's lease on Dec. 31 – resets the clock for the nonprofit. The rail society again got 30 days, plus mailing time, to vacate its exhibition space at the fairground.

Previously, Expo directors gave the model railroad group slightly more than a month's notice ahead of the lease's original ena aate.

The Napa case is one of two pitting the state-owned Expo, formally known as the 25th District Agricultural Association, against the model railroad society, which has exhibited its trains at the fairground for 47 years. Fair board members voted in July not to renew the group's lease, citing future plans to reuse the site as well as the below-market rent of \$180 a month.

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RECREATION

Napa details spending for bike, foot trails

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A new stream of Napa County sales tax money isn't just for

Several additions to the city of Napa's web of bicycle and pedestrian paths may stand to benefit from Measure T, the countywide sales tax that takes effect July 1 and will help pay for road and street maintenance.

A spending strategy presented last week to the city's Bicycle and Trails Advisory Commission would give funding priority to a variety of projects in the next four years - including a gap in the Napa Valley Vine Trail, the foot-and-bike corridor planned to extend from Calistoga to Valleio.

To receive their Measure T cash, cities are required to assign 6.67 percent of their shares to pathways that are separate from

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